

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A coated printed or imaged product comprising;
a substrate for use with printed business communication said substrate is provided
with printed indicia;

at least a first glossy coating applied to said substrate in connection with said
printed indicia;

said first coating including a starch component that ranges from about 2% to
about 50% by weight of said first coating to conceal odor of said first coating; ~~and~~

said first coating is applied over a portion of said printed or imaged indicia in a
thickness ranging from 0.001 mils to 7 mils to provide a texturally distinct highlight to at
least said portion of said printed indicia; and

wherein said textually distinct highlight is selected from a group including
animate, inanimate objects, geometric shapes, alpha character, numeric characters and
combinations thereof.

2. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in
claim 1, wherein said starch is selected from a group including corn, potato, wheat, rice,
tapioca, maize, sorghum and other starches and starch flours and combinations thereof.

3. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in
claim 1, wherein said substrate is selected from a group including business forms,
pressure sensitive products and combinations thereof.

4. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in
claim 1, wherein said first coating is selected from a group including varnishes,
overcoatings, inks, adhesives, curable coatings and combinations thereof.

5. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in claim 1, wherein said starch is a starch ester having from 2 to 100 carbon atoms.

6. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in claim 1, wherein said starch includes high amylose corn starch.

7. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in claim 1, wherein said starch includes low amylose corn starch.

8. Cancelled.

9. Cancelled.

10. (Currently Amended) A coated printed or imaged product having aesthetic, tactile or textural characteristics, comprising;

a substrate suitable for receiving printing or imaging and having printing or imaging applied thereto to produce a printed substrate useable as a business communication;

at least a first glossy coating applied over at least a portion of said printed substrate said coating applied in a thickness ranging from 0.001 mils to 7 mils to create a texturally distinct highlight; ~~and~~

a starch component that ranges from about 2% to about 50% by weight of said first coating is added to said first coating to produce aesthetic or textural characteristics when applied, coated, printed or imaged on said printed substrate; and

wherein said textural, tactile or aesthetic characteristics may be selected from a group including animate, inanimate objects, geometric shapes, alpha character, numeric characters and combinations thereof.

11. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in claim 10, wherein said substrate is selected from a group including business forms, pressure sensitive products and combinations thereof.

12. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in claim 11, wherein said starch component ranges from about 0.01% to about 99.9% by weight of said first coating.

13. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in claim 11, wherein said starch component is a starch ester having from 2 to 100 carbon atoms.

14. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in claim 11, wherein said starch component is selected from a group including corn, potato, wheat, rice, tapioca, maize, sorghum and other starches and starch flours and combinations thereof.

15. (Cancelled).

16. (Previously Presented) A coated printed or imaged product as recited in claim 11, wherein said tactile characteristics can be used in the preparation of reading materials for visually impaired individuals.

17. (Currently Amended) A printed or imaged product having aesthetic, tactile or textural characteristics, comprising;

a substrate suitable for receiving printing or imaging for a business communication;

at least a first glossy coating applied to at least a portion of said substrate, said first coating having a starch component that ranges from about 2% to about 50% by weight of said first coating and said coating having a thickness a thickness ranging from 0.001 mils to 7 mils; ~~and~~

~~wherein~~ said first coating producing raised textural, tactile or aesthetic characteristics on said substrate after application to said substrate to create a business communication; and

wherein said textural or aesthetic characteristics may be selected from a group including animate, inanimate objects, geometric shapes, alpha character, numeric characters and combinations thereof.

18. (Original) A printed or imaged product as recited in claim 17, wherein said starch component ranges from about 0.01% to about 99.9% by weight of said first coating.

19. (Cancelled).

20. (Original) A printed or imaged product as recited in claim 17, wherein said starch component is a starch ester having from 2 to 100 carbon atoms.

21. (Original) A printed or imaged product as recited in claim 17, wherein said substrate is a greeting card.

22. (Original) A printed or imaged product as recited in claim 17, wherein said substrate is used for coupons, cards, tickets and combinations thereof.

23. (Original) A printed or imaged product as recited in claim 17, wherein said substrate with said coating has tactile characters.

24. (Currently Amended) A glossy printed or imaged sheet having improved surface affinity for improved feeding and handling, comprising;

a substrate suitable for receiving a glossy coating and at least a portion of said substrate receiving a glossy coating to create a coated area, said coated area having a thickness a thickness ranging from 0.001 mils to 7 mils, said substrate used as a business communication and said glossy coating creating a texturally distinct highlight selected from a group including animate, inanimate objects, geometric shapes, alpha character, numeric characters and combinations thereof; and

a starch component that ranges from about 2% to about 50% by weight of said glossy coating is added to said glossy coating to create surface discontinuities in said coated area of said substrate to produce textural characteristics on said substrate to improve surface affinity for improve feeding and handling.

25. (Original) A glossy printed or imaged sheet as recited in claim 24, wherein said starch component is selected from a group including corn, potato, wheat, rice, tapioca, maize, sorghum and other starches and starch flours and combinations thereof.

26. (Original) A glossy printed or imaged sheet as recited in claim 24, wherein said substrate is used to create business communication pieces, brochures, folders, tickets, cards, photographs, marketing collateral, presentation materials and combinations thereof.

27. (Original) A glossy printed or imaged sheet as recited in claim 24, wherein marketing collateral is prepared in connection with said sheet.

28. (Original) A glossy printed or imaged sheet as recited in claim 24, wherein said starch component is a starch ester having from 2 to 100 carbon atoms.

29. (Currently Amended) A coated sheet intended for use as a business communication piece, comprising;

a substrate;

a starch selected from a group including corn, potato, wheat, rice, tapioca, maize, sorghum and other starches and starch flours and combinations thereof and starch esters thereof; and

at least a first glossy coating applied to said substrate, said first coating containing between about 0.01 and 99.9% by weight of said starch and said first coating applied to at least a portion of said substrate to create surface discontinuities to provide textural characteristics on said substrate, said coating is applied in a thickness ranging from 0.001 mils to 7 mils; and

wherein said textural characteristics are selected from a group including animate, inanimate objects, geometric shapes, alpha character, numeric characters and combinations thereof.

30. (Original) A coated sheet as recited in claim 29, wherein said substrate is suitable for use in preparing business communication pieces, brochures, folders, tickets, cards, photographs, marketing collateral, presentation materials and combinations thereof.

31. (Original) A coated sheet as recited in claim 29, wherein said substrate with said coating applied to a portion thereof creates a feeding assist means for post coating processing equipment.